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4. [] Called Arnold Brustin, on the staff of Senator Gaylord Nelson, regarding his outstanding request on behalf of the Senator for a briefing on the Soviet and Chinese Communist threats. I explained to Brustin that the Director had been extremely busy but wanted to be responsive to the Senator's request and suggested two possible dates for a briefing--Tuesday, 29 April or Friday, 2 May in the afternoon. I told him we could work out the details next week but laid down the ground rules that this was a briefing for the Senator only and we would ask that the fact of the briefing not be advertised. Brustin pressed the question of his attending the briefing in view of the fact that he has a Top Secret clearance but I told him because of the sensitivity of this subject matter we were briefing only members and committee staff. Brustin seemed to accept this. He will check out the dates with the Senator and be back in touch with me.

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5. [] Met with Mr. Bun Benton Bray and Mr. E. Hugler, House Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service staff. Mr. Bray said that Chairman Henderson had reviewed his proposed bill with the Subcommittee during their meeting yesterday and that it was not ready for introduction whenever such introduction might be appropriate. All copies are with the Chairman at present. Mr. Bray also noted that from information available to the Committee it appears that there is little pressure from the Unions at this time for consideration of the Ervin bill and that pressure could continue to decrease in the light of other matters of legislative importance to the Unions.

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6. [] Met with Russ Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee. Mr. Blandford advised that there does not appear to be any need for testimony by the Director with regard to the current hearings by the Pike Subcommittee on the EC121 and that to his knowledge no consideration has been given by Chairman Pike to calling the Director. I thanked Mr. Blandford for the advice.

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7. [] Mrs. Mary McLaughlin, on the staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, called in response to a question she received from Senator Claiborne Pell (D., R. I.) about responses from the Agency to questions posed by the Senator during the Director's briefing on 23 April. I advised Mrs. McLaughlin that responses to the list of questions presented by the Committee were in preparation and would probably be returned to the Committee late in the coming week.

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1. [] George Murphy, on the staff of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, called again on statements made on the ABM situation. This time Murphy was interested in any elaboration which I could give on Secretary Roger's statement last night regarding the Soviet testing of the SS-9. After checking with [] of OSI, I reviewed with Murphy pertinent points regarding the Soviet tests of 18 and 19 April.

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Later in the day, Murphy called and left a message regarding comment on the "West German espionage story" in the New York Times. I have discussed this with [] EA/DDP; I have not been back in touch with Murphy on this.

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2. [] Accompanied Mr. Clinton Conger, OCI, who briefed Representative Ogden Reid (R., N. Y.) on the Middle East and touched on certain highlights of current events. (See Mr. Conger's Memo for the Record.)

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3. [] Met with Mr. Arthur Kuhl, Chief Clerk, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and finalized the arrangements for the Gore Subcommittee briefing by the Director on Wednesday, 23 April, in the main committee room S116 of the Capitol. Mr. Kuhl confirmed the previous listing of staff personnel who are expected to be present and advised that Mr. William Miller, of Senator John Sherman Cooper's (R., Ky.) staff, would not be present.

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4. [] Talked to Mr. Francis Matchett, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service of the House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Mr. Matchett advised that the Subcommittee would be meeting on Thursday. He also noted that Chairman Henderson might well take up his new draft bill on protection of the constitutional rights of Federal employees with the Subcommittee at that time. No copies of the draft are available as yet.

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Friday - 18 April 1969

25X1 1. [] Met with Mr. Harris, House Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service, who advised that the draft of Chairman Henderson's bill on protection of constitutional rights of Federal employees has been completed. The Chairman has it with him this weekend for study and may introduce it in the coming week. No copies of the draft are available at present.

25X1 2. [] Met with Mr. James Lowenstein, on the staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, concerning the Director's scheduled appearance before the Gore Disarmament Subcommittee next Wednesday, 23 April. Mr. Lowenstein advised that he is in the process of preparing questions for the Chairman's use (See Memo for the Record) but noted that the Chairman's principal objective is to ascertain what happened in terms of new intelligence or otherwise between the time of JCS approval of the Sentinel program and JCS approval of Safeguard. Tentative agreement was reached with Mr. Lowenstein for security control of the transcript. Mr. Lowenstein advised that staff members to be present on Wednesday will be Messrs. Marcy and Kuhl, Mr. William Miller and himself. In response to my question concerning Mr. Miller's status in attending a Committee briefing, Mr. Lowenstein advised that Mr. Miller with others has applied for the staff vacancy created by Bill Bader's departure and that there is some possibility that Mr. Miller could be appointed before next Wednesday. In that event, he (Mr. Lowenstein) would turn the whole matter of the Subcommittee briefing which he is handling over to Mr. Miller. Mr. Lowenstein also advised that "Bill Miller is the one that started all of this anyway." Mr. Lowenstein said that the Committee does not plan to announce the Wednesday briefing in the Committee schedule but that members will be notified on Monday and should question arise concerning the fact of the briefing, the Committee staff would respond in the affirmative about the hearing. [] OCI, and the Office of Security have been notified.

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25X1 5. [] J. Sourwine, Chief Counsel, Senate
 25X1C Internal Security Subcommittee, called to request the first opportunity
 25X1C for the Senate Subcommittee on Internal Security to call a recent Polish
 25X1B defector, [] as a witness. After checking with Robert
 25X1C [] IDC, I informed Sourwine that the Agency has no interest in this
 25X1C case and he is free to call [] at any time. Sourwine also asked me
 [] on [] and I told him I would look into
 this and be back in touch.

25X1A 6. [] Mr. Bruce Clarke, accompanied by Mr.
 25X1 [] presented the Soviet film, "True Sons
 of the People" to the House Armed Services Committee, the Committee
 staff and invited guests from the military services. The film and running
 commentary were very favorably received with rather strong sentiments
 being expressed by the members that it would be well if this film were
 shown to the American public. See Memorandum for the Record.

25X1 7. [] Met briefly with Mr. John Reddan, Counsel,
 House Armed Services Subcommittee for Special Investigations, who advised
 that he had not heard as yet from the Army legislative people on the matter
 of procurement of certain E&E equipment. I thanked him for the advice
 and told him I would contact the Army people and remind them of the
 Committee request.

Called Robert Currier, Army L&L, who apologized that their
 investigative staff had not as yet been back in contact with Mr. Reddan. He
 thanked me for the call.

25X1 8. [] Robert Hull, Department of State,
 called and said that interest in the Daniels bill had increased since my call
 to him on 19 March and wanted to know what the Agency was planning. He
 was interested that the Post Office and Civil Service Committee staff had
 rejected the possibility of providing for the Agency's retirement system
 in the Daniels bill because it would complicate matters on an already
 delicately balanced bill. We also discussed other available legislative
 options.

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Monday - 14 April 1969

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1. [] Met with Mr. J.R. Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and reviewed with him the Agency presentation of the film, "True Sons of the Soviets," scheduled for Wednesday morning, 16 April before the full Armed Services Committee. Mr. Blandford was not able to explain the breakdown in communications between the Committee and Mr. Coggan of North American Aviation. Mr. Blandford advised, however, that a member of the staff would call Mr. Coggan thanking him for his kind efforts in bringing the film to the Committee's attention and again advise that Mr. Coggan would not be required at the film showing. See Journal item of 11 April.

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2. [] Met with Mr. Frank Machen, House Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service staff, who advised that the new Henderson bill relating to the constitutional rights of Federal employees will probably be introduced late next week or the following week. It is now about 98 percent complete. Although he provided no detail, he indicated that it was the staff's feeling that Agency interests are well taken care of in the proposed bill. He also advised that it would be necessary to see Mr. Bray later in the week on the question of when a copy might be available for our use.

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3. [] Received a call from Mrs. Oneta Stockstill, Executive Secretary, House Armed Services Committee, who advised that the Committee is inviting the intelligence chiefs of the three military services or their representatives to attend the showing of the film, "True Sons of the Soviets," on Wednesday.

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4. [] Received a call from Mr. John Ford, of the House Armed Services Committee staff, who advised that he had talked to the Washington office of North American Aviation and that they had contacted Mr. Coggan, their Vice President for Sales, to advise that his presence will not be necessary on Wednesday for the showing of the film, "True Sons of the Soviets." Mr. Ford advised that there was no difficulty whatsoever in the conversation with North American.

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7. [] Met with Representative Glenard P. Lipscomb (R., Calif.) who provided a copy of a letter being circulated to members of the House seeking cosponsorship on a House bill to be introduced that will be identical to the Ervin bill (S. 782). I thanked Mr. Lipscomb for his consideration in bringing this matter to our attention. Mr. Lipscomb advised that he will be in the city until Friday when he will be returning to California for the Easter recess. He noted that he will not be able to put any time on the question of the Soviet threat before his return to Washington but he would appreciate such updating or revision of the unclassified paper provided him in September, as we may be able to provide at this time.

Reviewed with Representative Lipscomb the Agency memoranda "Shipment of Combat Material to North Vietnam," and "Soviet, Eastern European, and Communist Chinese Economic and Military Aid to North Korea" which had been prepared in response to questions raised by Mr. Lipscomb during the Director's briefing of 13, 14, and 17 March. Mr. Lipscomb was most appreciative noting in particular the two submarines furnished North Korea, which was new information to the Committee.

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I briefed Representative Lipscomb on the following items: Soviet satellite reconnaissance activities, reported friction in Soviet leadership, [] weapons system activities, Soviet submarine detection capability along the Siberian Pacific coast, Soviet space activities, and Soviet military aid to India.

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8. [] In response to his request, delivered to Mr. Bruce Merkle, Administrative Assistant to Representative William Bray, a professional brochure and employment application for use in responding to a constituent request.

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9. [] Picked up from Senator Aiken's office, in response to their call, a letter for the Director.

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10. [] Met with Mr. Bun Bray, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and provided a copy of the [] letter seeking cosponsors on a House companion bill to the Ervin bill (S. 782) to be introduced in ten days or two weeks. At Mr. Bray's suggestion, I also provided a copy of the letter to Mr. Charles Whitley, Administrative Assistant to Representative David N. Henderson (D., N. Car.)

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